

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A fluid separation device [(10)] for separating fluid or fluid spray from a gas with

at least one plate-like base carrier [(21)],

at least one fluid separator element [(20)] arranged in the base carrier [(21)], wherein the fluid separator element [(20)] comprises a flow-through tube [(22)] with a gas inlet [(26)] and with a gas outlet [(27)] and in the flow-through tube [(22)] between the gas inlet [(26)] and the gas outlet [(27)] there is arranged a worm-like segment [(23)] whose thread surfaces with the inner wall of the flow-through tube [(22)] form a worm-like flow path [(25)] for the gas,

characterised in that

the worm-like segment [(23)] has a length smaller or equal to 0.5 times the pitch of the worm-like segment [(23)], and each base carrier [(21)] with all flow-through tubes [(22)] and worm-like segments [(23)], which are arranged in it, is designed as one piece.

2 - 17 (Canceled)